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October 22, 2004

Ms. Alva Smith Federal Election Commission Office of General Counsel 999 E Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: MUR 5492

Dear Ms. Smith

Enclosed please find a letter from Rev. Emanuel Cleaver confirming that he has engaged me as his attorney and that I am authorized to communicate with you on his behalf. During our recent conversation, it appeared that you had additional information you would share if I were representing Rev. Cleaver. Now that I am, would you please contact me at your convenience so that we may discuss whatever subjects you had in mind. Thanks for your help.

Very truly yours,

Michael Thompson

MT:jlf Enclosure October 18, 2004

TO: Alva Smith

Federal Election Commission

Re: MUR #5492

This is to advise you that I, Reverend Emanuel Cleaver, have engaged Michael Thompson of the firm of Blackwell Sanders Peper North American Communicate with you on my behalf.

Reverend Emanuel Cleaver